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TO AMEMBASSY PORT MORESBY

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SUBJECT: VISITS BY OFFICIALS OF GUAM

REF: PORT MORESBY 1371; AMBASSADOR-TO-SQUIRE OFFICIAL-
- INFORMAL LETTER OF 12/15/76

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SQUIR:

1. AN INCREASE IN INFORMAL TIES BETWEEN OFFICIALS OF GUAM AND PNG IS DESIRABLE AND SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED. INTERIOR DEPARTMENT DIRECTORATE OF TERRITORIAL AFFAIRS (DOTA) AGREES AND IS WRITING GOVERNOR OF GUAM OFFERING SOME SUGGESTIONS INCLUDING ONE THAT EMBASSY BE NOTIFIED WHENEVER GUAM OFFICIALS TRAVEL TO PNG. NOTIFICATION WILL INSURE THAT EMBASSY IS AWARE OF VISITOR AND WILL ENABLE IT TO ARRANGE MEETINGS, AS DESIRED, WITH PNG OFFICIALS. SUC; AN ARRANGEMENT SHOULD BE ADVANTAGEOUS TO ALL CONCERNED.

2. GUIDELINES FOR DEALING WITH VISITING STATE AND TERRITORIAL OFFICIALS ARE NOT FIRMLY DEFINED. EMBASSY
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SHOULD USE ITS JUDGMENT IN EXTENDING APPROPRIATE COURTESIES SUCH AS FACILITATING CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION CLEARANCE, ARRANGING HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS, PROVIDING BRIEFINGS, ARRANGING MEETINGS WITH PNG OFFICIALS, ETC.

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3. DOTA IS ASKING GOVERNOR OF GUAM TO SEND DIRECTORY
OF OFFICIALS TO YOU. IN CASE OF QUESTIONS CONCERNING
VISITS OF GUAM OFFICIALS BELIEVE YOU SHOULD COMMUNICATE
DIRECTLY WITH GOVERNOR OF GUAM WITH INFO COPY, IF
APPROPRIATE, TO DEPARTMENT.

4. THINKING CONTAINED IN YOUR LETTER ON GUAM-PNG CANTACTS
MOST HELPFUL. SUGGEST YOU INCORPORATE IT IN A CABLE ON
THE SUBJECT.
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